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SECURITY INFORMATION

COUNTRY East Germany Approved For Release 2002/08/14 : CIA-RDP82-00457R016100190003-4TOPIC Erfurt Bindersleben Airfield

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EVALUATION 25X1X

PLACE OBTAINED

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DATE OF CONTENT 3 to 28 November 1952

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DATE PREPARED

23 December 1952

REFERENCES

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1. Source observed Erfurt Bindersleben airfield from the town between 3 and 28 November 1952. Air activity was observed only on one day. Five jet fighters were parked at the field on 10 November and two jet fighters in late November.<sup>1</sup>

2. In November, six to eight shrapnelproof aircraft revetments, about 15 meters in diameter, were under construction in the southeastern section of the landing field. The revetments were open toward the field. Source observed from a passing vehicle that four fuel containers, each about the size of a railroad tank car, were located in two shrapnelproof aircraft revetments. Another container of the same type was observed at the railroad station. The laborers who worked on the revetments were hauled to and from the construction site on trucks.

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3. An AA gun emplacement was under construction on the southern edge of the field just southwest of the triangulation point 315.1. The number and type of guns could not be determined.<sup>2</sup>

4. A radio installation with one mast was located on the highest point 500 meters north of the Erfurt-Bindersleben road. The radio installation with four masts, which had been observed about 200 meters east of triangulation point 305.1 prior to 3 November 1952, was no longer there. Its present location could not be determined.<sup>1</sup>

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6. On 21 and 22 November, about 200 men wearing black-bordered blue epaulets and 100 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets were observed at the field. The latter group of 100 men probably belonged to a construction detail.

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25X1A. Comment. In late October 1952, Erfurt Bindersleben airfield was occupied by about 12 MiG-15s. According to the present report, it appears that only a few planes remained there in November. The removal of the PKV-45 DF station indicates that the field will probably not be used during the winter, while construction work at the field is apparently to be completed, weather permitting.

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2.  Comment. Five 37-mm AA guns were previously reported for the first time at Erfurt Bindersleben airfield. . 25X1

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